

PKI/Medium Grade Services Interoperability Summit 'Tech Fest 2000'

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Why Are We Here

- To address interoperability issues with PKI and COTS email products
- To share solutions
- To define test scenarios
- To establish a process for documenting problems/solutions
- To promote vendor involvement
- To move ahead with DOD MGS roll-out

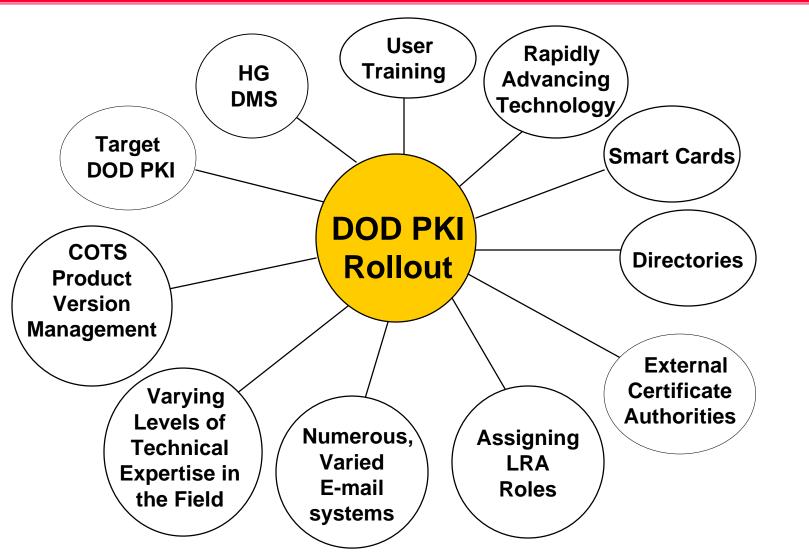


What is DMS/MGS?

DMS/MGS is secure interoperable commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) email that uses the DOD Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) Medium Assurance certificates for signature and encryption



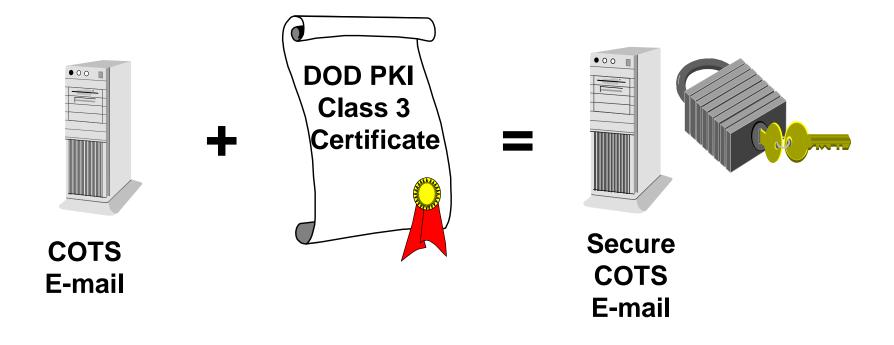
MGS/PKI Problem Space





DMS/MGS PKI and MGS

In MGS, the DoD PKI provides an e-mail certificate that is bound to the user's e-mail address and enables the user to send and receive signed and encrypted e-mail to and from other MGS users.





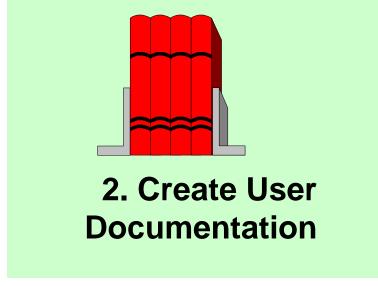
MGS Ground Rules

- MGS = COTS
- MGS will use DOD PKI Medium Assurance Certificates for Signature and Encryption
- Trust BUT Verify testing approach
 - Multi-vendor product interoperability
 - DOD PKI readiness
- Gain early operational experience through pilots



MGS Activities



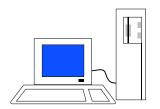






Lab Activities Completed

1. Installed and Configured



- Clients (on Windows 95, 98, NT)
 - MS Outlook '98
 - MS Outlook Express 5
 - Netscape Communicator 4.7
 - Lotus Notes 5.01a

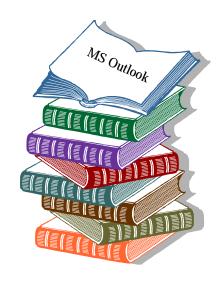
- Servers:
 - MS Exchange 5.5 SP2
 - Lotus Notes 5.01a

- 2. Executed Comprehensive Interoperability Test Suite
 - Signed
 - Encrypted
 - Signed and Encrypted



MGS Products Verified for Interoperability

- Generated Step-By-Step User's Guides for the Retrieval of DOD PKI Certificates and Configuration of E-mail Clients
 - Lotus Notes 5.01a
 - Microsoft Outlook Express 5.0
 - Microsoft Outlook 98/2000
 - Netscape Communicator 4.7





Background Policy Driving the MGS High Demand

Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, 6 May 1999, Department of Defense (DoD) Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)

- All DoD Users will, at a minimum, be issued a Class 3 certificate by October 2001
- All electronic mail (as distinct from organizational messaging) sent within the Department will be signed using appropriate protocols consistent with the Department's email strategy by October 2001
- Department of Defense components are encouraged to encrypt email within the Department



MGS Pilot Criteria

- Each pilot brings unique scenarios
 - USAREUR Replace PGP 'Train the Trainer' -Roving kiosks for registration
 - USMC IECAs USMC Email Policy
 - USAF Registration using 'trusted agents'
- Pilot partner must document and disseminate lessons learned
- MGS Pilot solutions MUST be scalable



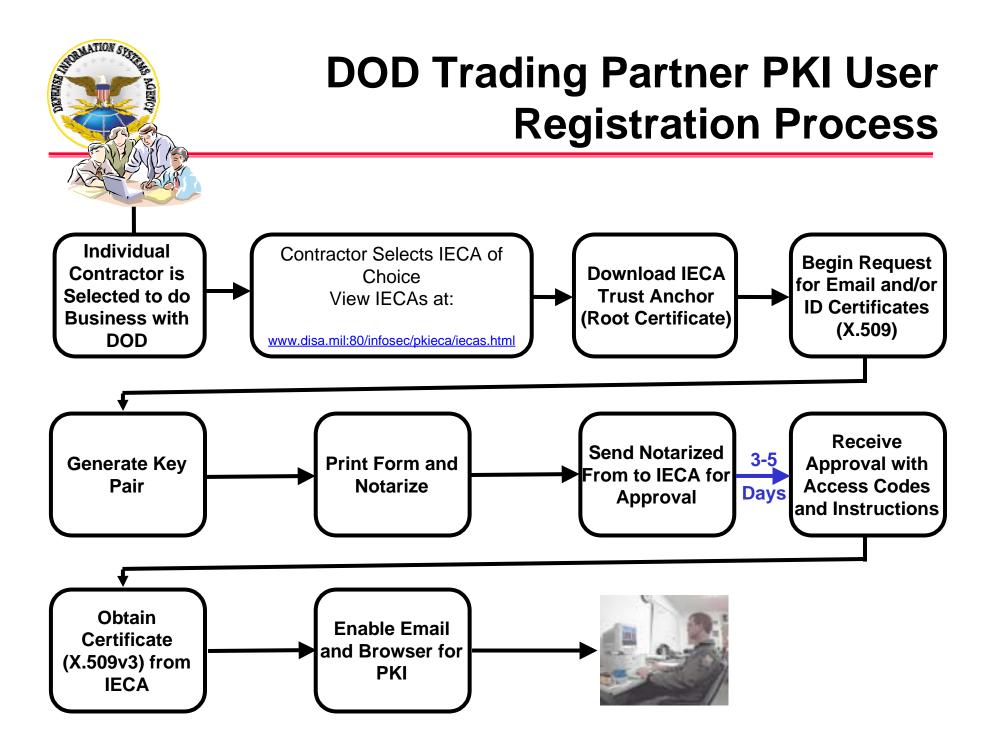
Definition: IECA

- Interim External Certification Authorities (IECAs)
 - Certification Authorities that provided non-DOD personnel with certificate services that are interoperable with the DOD PKI
 - Operated by organizations other than the DOD
 - IECA certificates not signed by the DOD Root; hence DOD applications use IECAs as trust anchors
 - Short-Term Solution for DOD



IECA Vendors

- Operational Research Consultants (ORC)
- Digital Signature Trust (DST)
- VeriSign, Inc.
- General Dynamics





IECA REGISTRATION COMPARISON

	DST	GD	ORC	VeriSign
	https://secure.digsigtrus t.com/ieca/	http://gd.cs.com /ieca	http://eca.orc.com/in dex2.html	http://www.verisign. com/gov/ieca/
Supported Browsers	Netscape 4.05 >		Netscape 4.05>	Netscape 4.05 >
(FIPS 140-1)	(Domestic)		(Domestic)	IE 5.01 > (Domestic)
Certificate	ID - \$250		ID - \$ N/A	ID - \$195
Pricing / year	Email - \$250		Email - \$ N/A	Email - \$195
Identity Validation	Both - \$475 Face-to-Face or		Both - \$250 Face-to-Face or	Both - \$295 Face-to-Face or
	Notary (applying organization or Finacial institution only) with: - 1 Government Photo ID		Notary (any) with: - Drivers License	Notary (any) with: -1 Government Photo ID -2 Other ID
Key Generation	At time of Registration		At time of Registration	Upon Approval via email
Approval Notification	U.S. Mail		Email	Email
Turn Around Time	13 days (Notary Denied, I didn't follow directions and approval via U.S mail)		5 days	4 days



How to Operationalize MGS

Establish Technical Environment

- RA/LRA Technical Infrastructure(people/HW/SW)
- Email product & Internet browsers meet minimal requirements
- Support staff and core users are postured for MGS

Define Process/Publish Procedures

- Outline the process of registering and enabling email
- Provide step-by-step procedures
- Identify MGS cadre to capture lessons learned



How to *Operationalize* MGS (cont.)

- Train the Trainers with classroom & hands-on instruction
 - Register and train support staff and power users
 - Train Help Desk
 - Train initial core group in using MGS in daily activities
- Follow-up Building on Success
 - Provide third-tier support
 - Collaborate with COTS email vendors to solve systematic problems
 - Provide Updates/Enhancements to MGS User Base



COTS Facts of Life

- New product releases and versions occur frequently
- COTS versions generally newer than fielded DMS User Agents
- Configuration is Everything!
 - A wide variety of configurations will work for basic SMTP
 - Only a few configurations will work for MGS
 - Pilot sites often have heterogeneous configurations installed



MGS Bottom Line

- MGS is PKI Ready and being used today
 - PKI Ready is Changing
- Email crosses all boundaries and is on every desktop
- The time is right for MGS implementation
- Continue work with vendors, develop tools, test products & processes, and manage knowledge for the benefit of all DOD users

MGS is not a product - it is a capability



MGS/PKI Interoperability Summit GOALS

- Resolve 'Top 5' Issues
- Build the DOD secure COTS email 'interest group'
- Identify top priority interoperability test scenarios
- Work together to continue technical dialog beyond this summit



Back-Up Charts